

## Processed Chicken: National Mechanically Separated Chicken (Fri.) Agricultural Marketing Service

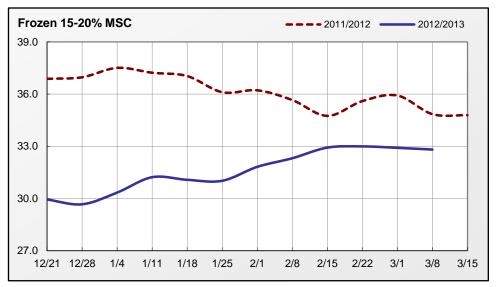
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(F.O.B. Shipper Dock or equivalent; negotiated prices in trucklot and less-than-trucklot volumes reported in thousand pound quantities, cents/pound; delivery within 2 weeks.)

Prices for MSC are steady to firm on all fat contents; Fresh 15-20% MSC continues to be in the best position. Supplies are light to moderate. Schedules are mostly normal. Demand is mostly moderate into both domestic and export channels. The spot marketplace has been surprisingly stronger than usual during this Lenten season due primarily to limited supplies, among a variety of other reasons. Despite this industry maintains a watchful eye on all influencing market factors, as well as a cautious attitude remembering years past. Most sellers continue to manage production closely selling spot sales of MSC 1 to 2 weeks out front. Market activity is moderate to active. Supplies of raw materials are light and sought after. Frames are firm trading mostly between 14-15 cents FOB.

## Weekly MSC Weighted Average Prices (cents/pound) and Volumes (1,000 pounds)

	Frozen			Fresh			
Fat Content	8-Mar-13	Last Week	Last Year	8-Mar-13	Last Week	Last Year	
15% or Less							
Price Range	30.00	-	-	28.00 - 30.00	27.00 - 29.00	26.00-27.00	
Wtd Avg Price	30.00		-	29.00	28.00	26.75	
Volume Traded	40	-	-	163	82	163	
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	ı	
15-20%							
Price Range	31.00 - 35.00	31.00 - 35.00	31.00-38.00	25.00 - 31.00	24.50 - 31.00	23.00-30.00	
Wtd Avg Price	32.81	32.91	34.85	27.74	27.67	25.46	
Volume Traded	1,568	1,265	2,533	3,483	3,896	4,008	
Volume Exported	1,480	1,265	2,453	449	449	898	
20% or More							
Price Range	-	-	-	22.00	22.00	22.00	
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	22.00	22.00	22.00	
Volume Traded	-	-	-	82	82	82	
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-	



## Monthly MSC Weighted Average Prices (cents/pound) and Volumes (1,000 pounds)

	Frozen			Fresh		
Fat Content	Feb 2013	Jan 2013	Feb 2012	Feb 2013	Jan 2013	Feb 2012
15% or Less						
Wtd Avg Price	30.00	30.00	-	26.43	25.13	27.56
Volume Traded	40	80	-	714	653	653
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-
15-20%						
Wtd Avg Price	32.59	30.97	35.46	26.70	25.48	24.33
Volume Traded	5,957	4,923	7,800	17,289	17,411	15,773
Volume Exported	5,357	4,563	6,839	2,815	5,834	2,693
20% or More						
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	22.00	20.00	22.38
Volume Traded	-	-	-	245	204	163
Volume Exported		-	-	-	-	-

Note: Volume exported refers to that portion of the total volume that is destined for export markets.

